



Congressional District #24

Endangered Species: Indiana Bat, Piping Plover

Threatened Species: Bald Eagle

Recovery Update: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has designated critical habitat for the Great Lakes population of piping plover along the Lake Ontario shoreline in Oswego and Jefferson Counties. Critical habitat refers to specific areas that may require special management because they are essential for the recovery of the piping plover. The designation has no impact on private landowners taking actions on their own land that do not involve Federal funding or permits.

Recovering the Indiana bat will require conserving their winter habitat (hibernacula) and protecting them throughout the rest of the year.

The bald eagle is an endangered species success story. They have recovered sufficiently for the Service to propose their removal from the endangered species list.